## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS HOUSTON DIVISION

JOHN DOE,	§	
Plaintiff,	§	
	§	
v.	§	CIVIL ACTION No. 4:22-cv-01019
	§	
PRAIRIE VIEW A&M UNIVERSITY, et	§	
al.,	§	
Defendants.	§	

# DEFENDANT'S CONCISE SUMMARY OF SUMMARY JUDGMENT ARGUMENTS

## TO THE HONORABLE JUDGE HITTNER:

Defendant Prairie View A&M University ("PVAMU") moves for summary judgment on the sole remaining claim in the lawsuit: whether PVAMU violated Title IX when it expelled John Doe for sexual misconduct. The arguments are summarized below:

- 1. All other claims were previously dismissed. See Dkt #24.
- 2. Respondent Title IX claims are typically either for an "erroneous conclusion" or "selective enforcement." *Klocke v. Univ. of Texas at Arlington*, 938 F.3d 204, 210 (5th Cir. 2019). Doe lacks evidence for either here.

- 3. After a Title IX hearing, Doe was found to have engaged in "sexual exploitation" and "complicity" regarding the February 3, 2021 incident where Doe's roommate RR had non-consensual sex with Jane Roe.
- 4. Doe's account of what happened on February 3 was contradicted by other witnesses, including the disinterested male roommate NH.
- 5. The hearing officer heard live testimony from all main witnesses, found Doe's account not credible, and found expulsion the appropriate sanction.
  - 6. Doe availed himself of the opportunity to appeal.
  - 7. Doe lacks evidence that the hearing officer's conclusion is erroneous.
- 8. Doe complains about not receiving police statements that were unavailable to anybody, and thus there was no gender discrimination basis related to his complaint.
- 9. Doe lacks evidence of selective enforcement where he lacks a similarly situated female comparator who was treated more favorably.
- 10. Lacking evidence of gender discrimination, Doe simply wants this Court to second-guess the disciplinary decision. *Davis ex rel. LaShonda D. v. Monroe Cty. Bd. of Educ.*, 526 U.S. 629, 648 (1999) ("courts should refrain from second-guessing the disciplinary decisions made by school administrators").

### CONCLUSION

For the reasons stated, the Court should dismiss all of Plaintiff's claims with prejudice.

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I certify that a copy of the foregoing was served to all counsel via CM/ECF, on this the 21st day of July 2023.

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